

**2026 Executive Committee Meeting
UCLouvain, Belgium, 23-27 February 2026****Participants****1. Geoffrey PLEYERS, President of the International Sociological Association**

Geoffrey Pleyers is an FNRS Research Director and Professor of Sociology at the Catholic University of Louvain, Belgium. He is the current President of the International Sociological Association and the current director of the Research Centre on Democracy, Institutions and Subjectivity (CriDIS/lacchos). He holds a doctorate in sociology from the Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales (2006) and has been a visiting scholar at 24 universities in Europe, the United States, Latin America and India. His research focuses on global sociology, global studies, social movements, youth, sociology of religion and Latin America. He has published a series of articles on the renewal of [global sociology published in "Global Dialogue"](#).

Publications available on [Academia](#) – Geoffrey.Pleyers@uclouvain.be

[ISA Presidential Corner](#) – ISA Declaration "[A Time for Sociology](#)"

Publications:

- "[Alter-Globalization. Becoming Actors in the Global Age](#)", Polity, 2010; Spanish: FCE, 2025.
- "[El cambio nunca es lineal](#)", CLACSO, 2024).
- "What sociology can do in wartime. The resilience and dynamism of Ukrainian sociologists", *International Sociology*, forthcoming (Feb. 2026).
- "[For a global sociology of social movements. Beyond methodological globalism and extractivism](#)" (*Globalizations*, 2024),
- "[The Chilean awakening in a global decade of social movements](#)"

2. Allison LOCONTO, Vice-President for Research

Allison Marie Loconto (PhD, HDR) is a Research Professor at the French National Institute for Research on Agriculture, Food and Environment (INRAE) and the Interdisciplinary Laboratory of Science, Innovation and Society (LISIS) at Gustave Eiffel University (Paris-Est Sup). Prof. Dr. Loconto focuses on the governance of transitions to sustainable food systems, specifically on the metrics, models, standards and systems of certification that are part of emerging institutional innovations. She is an Associate Editor of *Science as Culture* and the *Journal of Rural Studies*, and Chief Editor of the *International Journal of the Sociology of Agriculture and Food (IJSAF)*. She is Vice President of Research for the ISA.

Publications:

- Allison Loconto. Le défi de la durabilité : quelles responsabilités des entreprises agroalimentaires ?. *INRAE Sciences Sociales*, 2025, 1-2/2023 (7), 2 p. [<hal-05128807>](#)

- Sally Randles, Allison Loconto, Marc Steen. Demonstrating the deep institutionalisation of de facto responsible research and innovation (rri) in participatory market contexts: Examples from Bolivia and Netherlands. *Journal of Responsible Innovation*, 2024, 11 (1), pp.2316365. [10.1080/23299460.2024.2316365](https://doi.org/10.1080/23299460.2024.2316365). [hal-04561780](https://hal.archives-ouvertes.fr/hal-04561780)
- Allison Loconto, Scott Prudham, Steven Wolf. Environmental governance through metrics. *Science as Culture*, 2024, 33 (1), pp.1 - 15. [10.1080/09505431.2024.2312703](https://doi.org/10.1080/09505431.2024.2312703). [hal-04561962](https://hal.archives-ouvertes.fr/hal-04561962)
- Allison Loconto, Marion Desquilbet, Théo Moreau, Denis Couvet, Bruno Dorin. The land sparing – land sharing controversy: Tracing the politics of knowledge. *Land Use Policy*, 2020, 96, pp.103610. [10.1016/j.landusepol.2018.09.014](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.landusepol.2018.09.014). [hal-02106270](https://hal.archives-ouvertes.fr/hal-02106270)

3. Bandana PURKAYASTHA, Vice-President for National Associations

Bandana Purkayastha is a Board of Trustees Distinguished Professor of Sociology at the University of Connecticut. Passionate about moving away from Euro-America-centric sociological frameworks, her prolific scholarship on migration, human rights, knowledge hierarchies, and intersectionality bridges knowledge from many parts of the world. Her work has been recognized through many awards, including American Sociological Association's Jessie Bernard award, "which recognizes significant contributions to improving the lives of women." She served in many professional leadership positions, and is, currently, the Associate Dean for Social Sciences, UConn, and the Vice President for National Associations in the International Sociological Association. <https://sociology.uconn.edu/person/bandana-purkayastha/>

Publications:

- Rianka Roy, Bandana Purkayastha and Anjana Narayan. (2025). Gendered Patterns of Counter-Dissemination: Hindu Women Navigating Religious Nationalism in the United States. *Sociological Bulletin*. DOI: 10.1177/00380229251349577
- Roy, Rianka, Purkayastha, Bandana, Choudhury Lahiri, Shoma, Rajak, Dinesh*, E. Deepa. (2025). Relational Counterpublics: Media Discourse on the Covid Delta Variant Surge in India. *Current Sociology*. DOI: 10.1177/00113921251337088
- Purkayastha, Bandana. (2025). Distancing as Governance: On Migrants and Contemporary (In)securities.. *On the Margins of Protection*, edited by Paula Banerjee. Kolkata: Orient Black Swan. Pp 21-49.
- Rianka Roy, Anjana Narayan, Melanie Heath and Bandana Purkayastha (co-editors). (2025) *Theory Reimagined: Voices of Sociologists from Around the World*. Kolkata: FrontPage Publications.

4. Marta SOLER-GALLART, Vice-President for Publication

Marta Soler-Gallart, is Full Professor of Sociology at the University of Barcelona, and Vice-President for Publications of the ISA. She has been President of the European Sociological Association (2019-2021), Governing Board member of the European Alliance for Social Sciences and Humanities (2016-2019) and was the first researcher from Social Sciences at the ORCID Board of Directors (2014-2016). She obtained her PhD from Harvard (2001). Her research focuses on the prevention of gender violence in different educational contexts. Currently she is leading a

national-wide research on gender violence in universities funded by the Spanish Ministry of Science. She is also in the coordination of the Horizon Europe project REVERS-ED on reversing educational inequalities.

Publications:

- Soler-Gallart, M.; Joanpere, M.; Bordanoba, L. (2025). Analysis of the Research and Advocacy for Behavioral Change related to the Denormalization of Gender Violence in Spanish Universities. *Behavioral Sciences*, 15(4), 500.
- Torras-Gomez, E.; Elboj, C.; Guo, M.; Oliver, E.; Lopez de Aguilera, A.; Soler-Gallart, M. (2025). Is social theory losing its relevance? A call for social impact and co-creation from dialogic sociology. *The Journal of Chinese Sociology*, 12(1), 1-22.
- Torras-Gomez, E.; Krauchengerg, A.; Petuya, V.; Marcos, R.; Serradell, O.; Soler-Gallart, M. (2024). From speech acts to communicative acts: social network debates about sexual consent. *Frontiers in Sociology*, 9:1468173.

5. Elina OINAS, Vice-President for Finance and Membership

Elina Oinas is professor in Sociology at the Swedish School of Social Science at the University of Helsinki, Finland since 2015. She is Vice President for Membership and Finance of the International Sociological Association 2023-2027. Her long-term research interests are gender, the body, health, feminist science and technology studies STS, global sociology, global development, and girlhood studies, often contrasting the Nordic welfare state structures and different health care concerns in Africa. Her most recent interviews were conducted in a vaccine research project in Benin, West-Africa, with scientists and tourists from Finland.

Publications:

- Huttunen, K. E., & Oinas, E. (2024). *Future Bodies in Vaccine Trial Science Practice*. *Body Politics - Zeitschrift fur Körpergeschichte*, 12(16), 125-149. <http://bodypolitics.de/en/archives/?ausgabe=29>
- Oinas, E. (2020). *Wayward academia: Wild, Connected, and Solitary Diffractions in Everyday Praxis*. *Matter*, 2(1), 26-50. <https://doi.org/10.1344/jnmr.v2i1.33371>
- Oinas, E. (2019). *HIV Politics and Structural Violence: Access to Treatment and Knowledge*. teoksessa T. Vaittinen, & C. C. Confortini (ed.), *Gender, global health and violence : Feminist perspectives on peace and disease* (Sivut 89-114). (*Feminist Studies on Peace, Justice and Violence*). Rowman & Littlefield Publishers.

6. Talja BLOKLAND

Absent

7. Mabrouk BOUTAGOUGA, Algeria

8. Chih-Jou Jay CHEN, Taiwan

Chih-Jou Jay Chen is the director and professor at the Institute of Sociology at Academia Sinica in Taiwan. He also holds joint appointments as a professor at National Tsing-Hua University and National Taiwan University. He is a member of the Executive Committee of the International Sociological Association. He previously served as president of the Taiwanese Sociological Association from 2018 to 2019; director of the Center for Contemporary China at National Tsing-Hua University from 2007 to 2012; and visiting scholar at the Harvard-Yenching Institute during the 2014–15 academic year. He has received several awards for his contributions to scholarship, including the 2021 Outstanding Research Award from Taiwan's Ministry of Science and Technology and the 2022 Outstanding Scholar Award from the Foundation for the Advancement of Outstanding Scholarship.

9. Debra DAVIDSON, Canada

Dr. Debra J. Davidson is a Professor of Environmental Sociology at the University of Alberta, Canada. Her research explores the social dimensions of climate change, energy transitions, and food systems, with a focus on governance, resilience, and justice. She has authored numerous books and articles addressing societal responses to environmental challenges and is a lead author for the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC). Engaged in interdisciplinary and community-based research, Dr. Davidson is committed to advancing sustainable and equitable futures through collaborative knowledge and action.

Publications:

- Davidson, D. J. (2024). The Role of Cynism in Social Responses to the Climate Emergency. *Socius: Sociological Research for a Dynamic World*. Vol. 10, 1–14.
- Davidson, D. J., Kecinski, M. (2021). Emotional pathways to climate change responses. *WIREs Climate Change*. DOI: 10.1002/wcc.751

10. Dilek CINDOGLU, Turkey

Dr. Dilek Cindoglu is a Professor of Sociology at Yaşar University, Türkiye. Her scholarship focuses on gender, migration, labor, and social policy in Turkey and the broader Middle East. She has published extensively on women's employment, refugee integration, and gender equality, bridging academic research with public policy. As a respected voice in feminist sociology, Dr. Cindoglu has collaborated with international organizations and research networks, contributing to global discussions on gender and social justice. Her work highlights the intersection of cultural norms, economic structures, and policy frameworks shaping women's everyday lives.

Publications:

- Sezen Yaras, Eylem Mercimek, and Dilek Cindoglu “Neoliberal Paternal Authoritarianism and Obstetric Violence in Turkey: Vulnerability and Resilience in the Case of Routine” (invited book chapter, forthcoming 2026)
- Cindoglu, Dilek, O. D. Aytemiz and Y. B. Kaya, “New Turkey, Social Policy, and a Daytime Talk Show as a Remedy: Müge Anlı as the Modern Çalığıuşu, *Turkish Studies* September, 2024
- Cindoglu, Dilek. “Even once female Ukrainian refugees reach safety, they face new burdens as single heads of household, *The Conversation.com*, published online Feb 25, 2023.

11. Jan FRITZ, USA

Jan Marie Fritz, Ph.D., Certified Clinical Sociologist (C.C.S), is a Professor at the University of Cincinnati (US), a Distinguished Visiting Professor at the University of Johannesburg and a Mediator for the city of Cincinnati's legal/prosecution division. She currently is a Visiting Researcher at Stockholm University and has recently been a Visiting Professor at Uppsala Universitet (Sweden).

Professor Fritz is a former vice president of the International Sociological Association (ISA), was a member of the US Environmental Protection Agency's National Environmental Justice Advisory Council for six years and a member of the Mayor of Cincinnati, Ohio's Gender Equality Task Force. She currently is a member of the ISA Executive Committee, the lead ISA representative to the UN, and an Executive Committee member of the Universities Network for the Protection of Children in Armed Conflict. She is the editor of Springer's Clinical Sociology book series and a co-editor of the Clinical Sociology Review.

Publications:

- "Improving the Lives of Older Adults in South Korea: Addressing Mandatory and Involuntary Retirement" (accepted for publication in the *Clinical Sociology Review*, December 2025)
- "The Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action's Continuing Guidance for the Protection of Girls Before, During and After Armed Conflict" (submitted)
- "Everyone has the Right to Work... Except Many Older Adults." In Human Rights Around the World: A Reference Handbook by Yvonne Vissing. ABC CLIO-Bloomsbury Press. (2025)
- "The Global Development of Clinical Sociology." In Fields of Sociology: Emerging Trends, Discourses – National and Global Narratives edited by Mala Kapu Shankardass for Springer: 2025. (accepted, forthcoming)
- "Gender, Environment and Health" In the Environmental Justice Encyclopedia edited by Kerry J. Ard and Dorceta Taylor. Sage. (accepted)
- "Mandatory Retirement and Involuntary Retirement: Addressing a Social Justice Issue" In Globalisation, Cultural Diversity and Human Rights edited by Joseph Zajda and Yvonne Vissing (Cham, Switzerland: Springer, 2024)
- "Alice Stokes Paul (1885-1977)," *Clinical Sociology Review*, Volume 18, issue 1 (May 2023) <https://journals.uj.ac.za/index.php/csr/article/view/2433>

12. Shaikh Mohammad KAIS, Bangladesh

Shaikh Mohammad Kais is Professor of Sociology at the University of Rajshahi in Bangladesh. He conducted his doctoral research on climate change resilience at Nanyang Technological University in Singapore. His areas of research and interest include food culture, community resilience, climate politics, aquaculture, human-animal relationships, and the development of sociology in the global South. By now, he has published several research articles in peer-reviewed journals on Durkheimian analysis of contemporary American society, global food regimes, hybrid sociology, climate change, shrimp farming, community resilience, ecological modernization, disaster management, death events, and ethnic issues. Being a member of the International Sociological Association (ISA) since 2009, he has already represented the Bangladesh

Sociological Association (BSA) in a number of meetings of the ISA. Currently, he is a member of the executive committee of the ISA.

Publications:

- Kais, Shaikh Mohammad and Md Saidul Islam. 2023. "Climate Change, Ecological Modernization, and Disaster Management: The Coastal Embankment Project in Southwestern Bangladesh." *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health* 20, 1-20, DOI: 10.3390/ijerph20126086.
- Kais, Shaikh Mohammad. 2022. "Dying with Dignity: Perception of Good Death among the Santals of Bangladesh" Pp. 26-47 in *Death and the Events: International Perspectives on Events Marking the End of Life*, edited by Ian R. Lamond and Ruth Dowson. London: Routledge. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4324/9781003155324>.
- Kais, Shaikh Mohammad and Md Saidul Islam. 2021. "Resilience to Climate Change in Industrial Shrimping in Bangladesh: Assessing the Comparative Role of the Stakeholders." *Sustainability* 13, 307. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.3390/su13010307>

13. Michael Perry OKYEREF, Ghana

Michael Okyerefo is a Professor of Sociology, Department of Sociology, University of Ghana, specializing in the Sociology of Culture and Sociology of Religion. He is keenly interested in global sociology with emphasis on (auto)biographical analysis as an object for sociological enquiry; migration; Ghana's new churches and their transnational links; African Social Thought and conceptual categories; and critical studies on the African university. He has published in these areas and is the recipient of awards and grants, including a Visiting Fellowship on Religion and Public Culture at the University of Cambridge and the Carnegie African Diaspora Fellowship Programme (CADFP). He was Visiting Professor at the University of Ottawa, is currently a Visiting Professor at Nelson Mandela University, and an Executive Committee Member of the International Sociological Association.

Publications:

- Okyerefo, M. P. K. (2024). The 'African' University's Innovative Self-renewal. In D. Belluigi, & A. Keet (Eds.), *Emancipatory imaginations: advancing critical university studies* (pp. 76-94). (Higher Education in Africa). SunMedia. <https://doi.org/10.52779/9781991260741>
- Okyerefo, M.P.K. (2023). The Autobiographical Self as an Object for Sociological Enquiry, *Historical Social Research* 48(4), 229-247.
- Okyerefo, M. (Avril-Mai 2021). Curiosity is the Bedrock that transcends Boundaries and foments African Conceptualization of Critical Categories, *Afroglobe - Recherche et Débat sur L'Afrique-Monde*, 1(1), 3-24 - L'Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM).

14. Aaron PITLUCK, USA

Aaron Pitluck is an economic sociologist who studies contemporary capitalism from a cultural and postcolonial perspective. Much of his research explores financialization and how moral and ethical norms, beliefs, and values are interwoven in markets. He has global expertise on the development of Islamic banking and finance, particularly in Malaysia. Most recently, he guest

edited a special issue of *Current Sociology* on “Brokering Novel Concepts into Economic Sociology.” He is a Professor of Sociology at Illinois State University (USA) and has held visiting appointments or fellowships at the American Bar Foundation (USA), the Netherlands Institute for Advanced Study, the University of Illinois-Chicago, the University of Chicago, Central European University (Hungary), and the University of Konstanz (Germany).

Publications:

- Pitluck, Aaron Z. 2025. “Why Broker Novel Concepts into Economic Sociology? Transcending the New Economic Sociology,” *Current Sociology* 73(2): 141-169. Open access.
- Pitluck, Aaron Z. 2024. ““Sometimes It Looks Fake”: Hiyal and Contrivances as Tools for Exploring Aspirations for Radical Social Change,” *Economic Anthropology* 11(2):235-45.
- Pitluck, Aaron Z. 2023. “The Interpretive and Relational Work of Financial Innovation: A Resemblance of Assurance in Islamic Finance,” *Journal of Cultural Economy* 16(6):793-811. Open Access. Lead article.

15. Rhoda REDDOCK, Trinidad y Tobago

Professor Rhoda Reddock is a renowned Caribbean sociologist and gender scholar at The University of the West Indies (UWI), St. Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago. She is currently a vice chair of the UN CEDAW Committee. Her pioneering work spans gender studies, labor history, and social movements in the Caribbean. A lifelong advocate for gender equality and social justice, she has served in numerous academic and public leadership roles, including Deputy Principal of UWI. Professor Reddock’s publications and activism have contributed to feminist and postcolonial discourse globally, emphasizing decolonial perspectives and transformative change in academia and society.

16. Ana Rivoir, Uruguay

Ana Laura Rivoir Cabrera holds a PhD in Information and Knowledge Society and is a Full Professor at the Department of Sociology, Universidad de la República (Uruguay). She specializes in the sociology of digitalization, digital inequality, informational human development, and education policy. She directs the ObservaTIC research group and leads national and international projects on digital inclusion, platforms, and artificial intelligence. She has an extensive academic publication record and supervises master's and doctoral researchers. Dr. Rivoir is Chair of the Human Rights Committee and Executive Committee Member of the International Sociological Association (ISA), and actively participates in ALAS and regional academic networks.

17. Borut RONCEVIC, Slovenia

Dr. Borut Roncevic is a Professor of Sociology at the Faculty of Information Studies in Novo mesto, Slovenia. His research focuses on social change, regional development, and innovation in contemporary societies, with a particular interest in Eastern European societies. He has led and participated in numerous international research projects and networks, fostering dialogue between academia, policy, and industry. Dr. Roncevic’s work seeks to understand and support the transition toward more inclusive, sustainable, and knowledge-driven societies in Europe and beyond.

Publications:

- Rončević, Borut & Besednjak Valič, Tamara (urednik). *Sociology and post-socialist transformations in Eastern Europe: a cultural political economy approach*. Springer, 2024. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-65556-2>,
- Fric, Urška; Levnajić, Zoran; Modic, Dolores & Rončević, Borut. Industrial symbiosis networks supporting circularity: understanding complexity, cyclicity and resilience. *Environmental technology & innovation*. Feb. 2025, vol. 37, [article no.] 104026, pp. 1-13, DOI: 10.1016/j.eti.2025.104026.
- Fric, Urška; O'Gorman, Bill & Rončević, Borut. Strategic competence model for understanding smart territorial development. *Societies*. 2023, vol. 13, iss. 3, pp. 1-16, <https://www.mdpi.com/2075-4698/13/3/76>, DOI: 10.3390/soc13030076.

18. Hermilio SANTOS, Brazil

Prof. Santos has received his PhD in political sciences from the Freie Universität Berlin. From 2002 he acted as Professor for Social Sciences at the Pontifícia Universidade do Rio Grande do Sul (PUCRS) in Porto Alegre, Brazil. Santos was visiting Professor at the University of Tübingen and in the University of Augsburg, Germany. His research interests include: biographical and narrative interviews, subjective interpretation of life-worlds, the sociology of Alfred Schütz. Santos current research is on biographical narratives of black women from three generations of the same families in three regions of Brazil that were strongly dependent of slavery. From 2018 to 2023 Santos acted as President of the ISA RC 38 "Biography and Society", and since 2023 is member of the ISA Executive Committee. He is also a documentary filmmaker. So far, Santos has directed eight sociological documentary films.

Publications:

- BECKER, JOHANNES ; POHN-LAUGGAS, MARIA ; SANTOS, Hermílio . Introduction: Reconstructive biographical research. *Current Sociology*, v. 71, p. 552-566, 2023.
- SUSIN, P. Q. ; SANTOS, Hermílio . Relevance and time in Schutzian theory: methodological implications to interpretative biographical research. *SOCIOLOGIA E RICERCA SOCIALE*, p. 144-158, 2021
- SANTOS, HERMILIO; Köttig, Michaela ; Witte, Nicole . On Relevance and Experience: Gabriele Rosenthal's Biographical Research from a Schutzian Perspective. In: Nicolle Witte/ Michaela Köttig. (Org.). *Biographie und Kollektivgeschichte*. 1ed. Weinheim: Juventa, 2021, v. , p. 308-320.

19. Tina UYS, South Africa

Professor Tina Uys is a Professor of Sociology at the University of Johannesburg and a certified clinical sociologist (AACCS). A former Head of Department and Fulbright Scholar, she serves on the Executive Committee of the International Sociological Association and co-edits the *Clinical Sociology Review*. She has published over 60 works, including a book with Palgrave Macmillan that received the ISA RC46 Outstanding Scholarly Book Award. Recognised with SASA's Lifetime Service Award (2023), the AACCS Lester F. Ward Award (2024) and the HEWLA Lifetime Achievement Award (2025), Prof Uys is internationally known for her leadership in clinical sociology and her scholarship on whistleblowing and institutional integrity.

Publications:

- Truth to Power: A Historical Overview of Whistleblowing in South Africa
- Whistleblowing and Social Justice: The Influence of *Ubuntu* on Whistleblowing Intentions

20. Dan Woodman, Australia

Dan Woodman is the TR Ashworth Professor in Sociology at the University of Melbourne, Australia. He is immediate past President of Council for the Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences in Australia, was a two-term President of The Australian Sociological Association. He is co-Chief Investigator on the Life Patterns project, one of the largest and longest running studies of young lives, tracking three generations of young Australians from the end of secondary school into adulthood. He is also co-Editor-in-Chief of the *Journal of Youth Studies* and has written widely on young people's lives and the sociology of generations. Dan is also a publicly engaged social scientist, including through his current role as the 'resident sociologist' on the Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) *Life Matters* radio program, through writing newspaper articles in *The Australian*, *Sydney Morning Herald*, *The Guardian*, and *The Conversation*, and featuring as a commentator in articles in *The Atlantic*, *New Scientist*, *The Times*, and *El Pais*, among others.

Publications:

- Who is receiving financial transfers from family during young adulthood in Australia?
- Paradoxical Parenting Practices and Australian Higher Education
- How does providing financial and practical support to young adult children impact upon their parents' present-day lives and future plans?

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21. Gabriel KESSLER, Argentina

Gabriel Kessler is Professor at the Universidad Nacional de La Plata and the Universidad Nacional de San Martín, and Senior Researcher at CONICET (National Scientific and Technical Research Council) in Argentina. He is co-editor of *International Sociology*. In 2019, he was named Chevalier dans l'Ordre des Palmes Académiques by the French government, and in 2021 he received the Georg Forster Research Award from the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation (Germany).

Publications:

- Kessler, G., Benza, G. *Uneven Trajectories: Latin American Societies in the Twenty-First Century* (Cambridge University Press) The relationship between changes in Latin American social structure and political and social discontent.
- Kessler, G., Benza, G. *La ¿nueva? estructura social de América Latina* (Siglo XXI).
- Kessler, G., Vonmaro, G. *La era del hartazgo: Líderes disruptivos, polarización y antipolítica en América Latina* (Siglo XXI).
- Kessler, G., Piovani, J. I. *Una sociología de la vida en común*. In June 2026,
- Kessler, G., Murillo, M. V. (2026). *The Social Underpinnings of Political Discontent in Latin America*. Cambridge University Press [to be published].

22. Daniel PS GOH, Singapore

Daniel P.S. Goh is Associate Professor of Sociology and Associate Provost (Undergraduate Education), National University of Singapore, and is also Vice Dean (Special Programmes) at NUS College. He specializes in comparative-historical and cultural sociology and studies state formation, race and multiculturalism, urbanisms, and religion in Asia. He has published over 70 articles on these subjects. At the Provost Office, he oversees the NUS Libraries and NUS Museum, as well as undergraduate research and undergraduate studies matters. At NUS College, he leads the sandboxing of experiential and service learning programmes for the nurturing of community-oriented global citizens and purpose-driven changemakers.

Publications:

- “Conservative Christianity, Anti-Vaccination Activism and the Challenge to Secularism in Singapore,” *Law and Ethics of Human Rights*, 2024, 18 (1): 57-78
- With Tim Bunnell, Maitrii Aung-Thwin, Jessica N. Clendenning and Nick R. Smith, “Points of persuasion: Truth spots in future city development”, *Environment and Planning D: Society and Space*, 2022, 40 (6): 1082-1099
- With Terence Chong, “Ministering to the Middle: Christian Megachurches and Minoritarian Politics in Southeast Asia,” *Politics and Religion*, 2022, 15 (4): 722-741

23. Joonmo SON, Singapore

Joonmo Son is an Associate Professor of Sociology at the National University of Singapore. He studies social capital, social networks, volunteerism, health and aging, and religion. His works appeared in journals such as *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*, *Social Networks*, *Social Indicators Research*, and *Social Science Research*. He also published a book titled *Social Capital* in the Polity’s Key Concepts Series. He was elected president of the International Sociological Association Research Committee 55 (Social Indicators) from 2023 to 2027. He is a coeditor of *Current Sociology*, an official journal of the ISA, and the *Asian Journal of Social Science*.

Publications:

- Son, Joonmo, Leika Mesa, Yu Ping Wong, and Mark Stanford. 2025. “The Latent Classes of the Volunteer Satisfaction Index and Volunteering during the Pandemic in Singapore.” *Social Indicators Research* 178:685-706. (<https://dx.doi.org/10.1007/s11205-024-03510-9>)
- Son, Joonmo, and Pildoo Sung. 2024. “A Reciprocal Relationship between Formal and Informal Social Engagement and Handgrip Strength of Older Adults in South Korea.” *Gerontology* 70:1088-1102. (<https://doi.org/10.1159/000540344>)
- Son, Joonmo and Pildoo Sung. 2024. “The Relationship among Generalized Trust, Social Networks, and Social Resources across 30 countries.” *International Sociology* 39:375-398. (<https://doi.org/10.1177/02685809241251770>)

24. Jay Y. Zhang, United Kingdom

Joy Y. Zhang is Professor of Sociology with a first degree in medicine. She is also the Founding Director of the Centre for Global Science and Epistemic Justice (GSEJ) at the University of Kent. An internationally recognised expert in the transnational governance of scientific risk, she specialises in emerging life sciences that impact both human and environmental futures. Her

work advances sociological thinking on risk, cosmopolitanism, decolonisation, and subaltern politics, with a comparative focus on four major scientific powers: China, India, the UK, and the US. Website: <https://profjoyzhang.com/>

Publications:

- Decolonizing the temporal and relational assumptions in contemporary science and science policies
- Scandalous ‘firsts’ from the Global South? The entanglement between epistemic injustice and Responsible Research and Innovation (RRI)
- (Bio)politics of existence and social change: Insights from the Good Food Movement

25. Breno Bringel, Brazil

Breno Bringel is Professor of Political Sociology at the Institute of Social and Political Studies of the State University of Rio de Janeiro (IESP-UERJ), Researcher at the Brazilian National Council for Scientific and Technological Development (CNPq), and Senior Fellow at the Complutense University of Madrid (UCM). At UCM, he directs the Observatory of Geopolitics and Ecosocial Transitions and coordinates the Research Group on Social Theory and Latin America at IESP-UERJ.

He has been a visiting professor at several universities in Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Spain, France, Mexico, Portugal, the United Kingdom, Switzerland, and Uruguay. He is a former President of the Research Committee on Social Classes and Social Movements (RC47) of the International Sociological Association (ISA, 2018–2023) and currently serves as Editor of *Global Dialogue*, ISA’s magazine. He is also Vice-President of the Latin American Sociological Association (ALAS)

Publications:

- *Luchar en el interregno. Los movimientos sociales entre progresismos y autoritarismos* (Siglo XXI México, 2026, with Maristella Svampa & Massimo Modonesi)
- *Atlas da Justiça Climática na América Latina* (Clacso, 2025) – forthcoming editions in Spanish and English
- *The Geopolitics of Green Colonialism* (Pluto Press, 2024; edited with Miriam Lang and Mary Ann - translated into German, Spanish, and Portuguese)
- *Movimientos Sociales y Política en Brasil. Origen y Ocaso de la Nueva República* (CLACSO, 2024).